
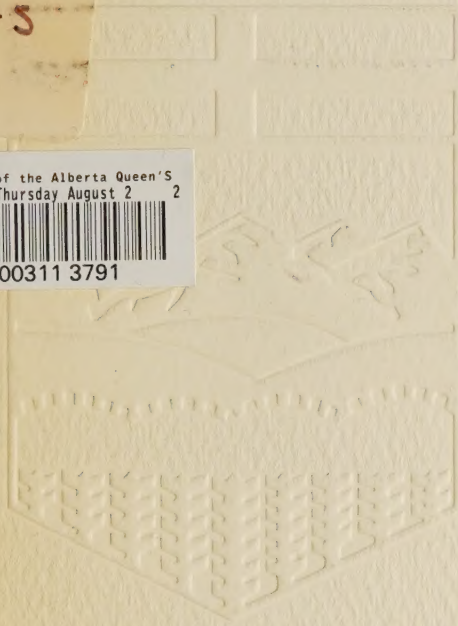
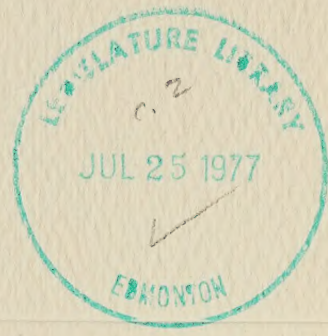


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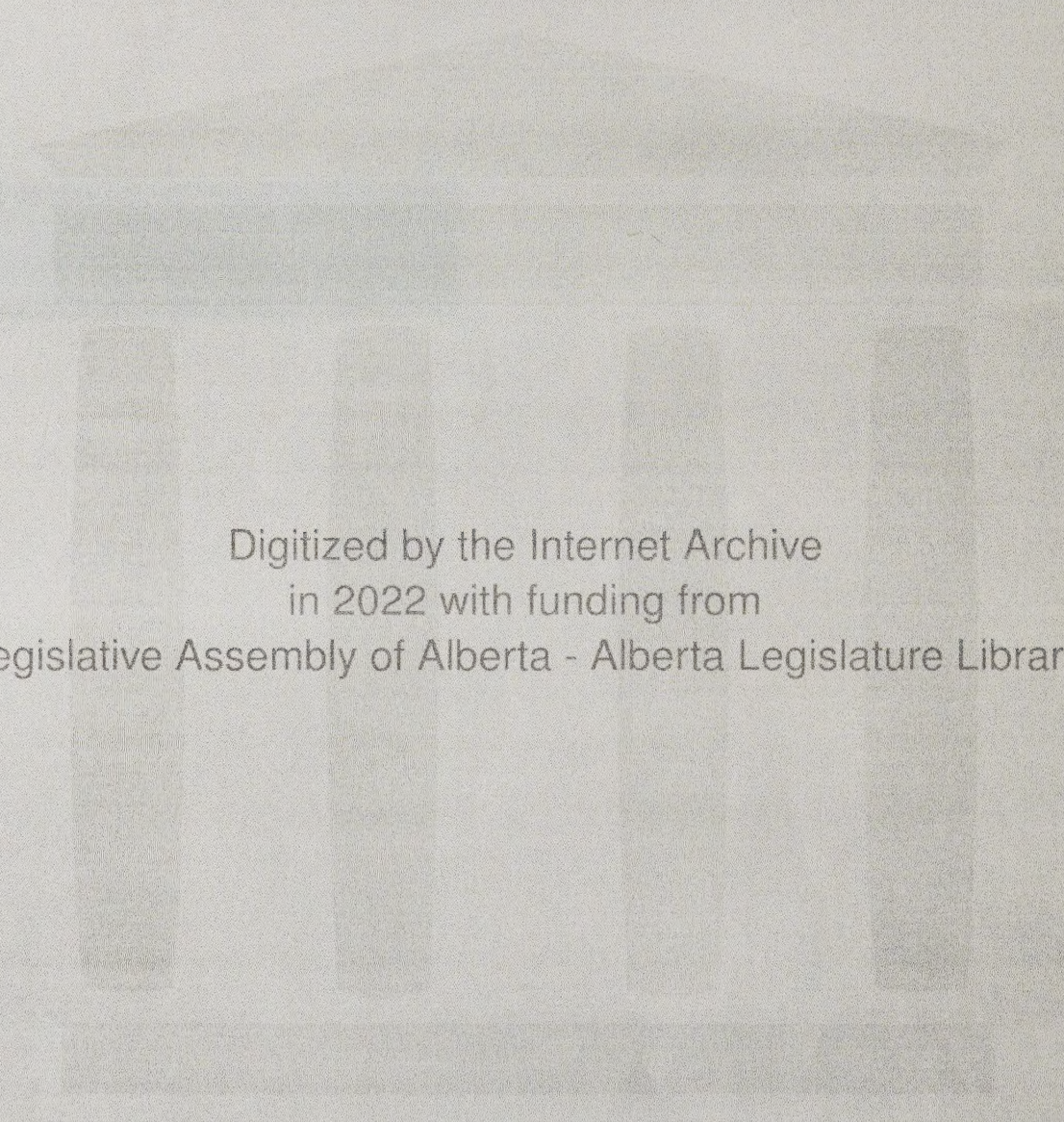
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"He who first shortened the labour of copyists by device of Movable Types was disbanding hired armies, and cashiering most Kings and Senates and creating a whole new democratic world: he had invented the art of printing" . . . Thomas Carlyle. 1795-1881.

"Sartor Resartus" bk. 1, ch. 3.

QUEEN'S PRINTER BUILDING, EDMONTON

The Queen's Printer Building is located at the junction of Kingsway Avenue and Airport road in a light industrial section of the City of Edmonton. The area of the site is 92,000 square feet (2.11 acres) which, through zoning, permits an overall site coverage of 55,000 square feet. The new building has a site coverage of 35,000 square feet which leaves room for 20,000 square feet of horizontal expansion. The building has a gross area of 46,000 square feet.

The Queen's Printer provides varied services to the Government and general public which by their nature can be sub-divided as follows:

- (a) office administration,
- (b) printing, and
- (c) warehousing.

This sub-division was a logical design concept. The building, through its massing, is divided into three parts: A single storey low area for the printing process, a large high-ceilinged warehouse space for storage of bulk paper supplies, and a two-storey area for administration, small stores, and building mechanical equipment.

Concrete block and glass are the two basic materials used to provide continuity to the masses.

Harmony has been achieved through the varied use of textured block, smooth block, clear and colored glass.

The structural system is light steel frame and open-web steel joists on reinforced concrete floors and foundation.

Heating to the building is by means of gas-fired hot water boiler, ventilation is by central air handling units and cooling by central reciprocating unit. Humidity in the building is controlled from the central unit by sprayed coil.

Industrial type fluorescent lighting fixtures have been installed for the workshop and storage areas, while commercial type shielded fluorescent fixtures are installed in office areas with some incandescent lighting for special applications and accent lighting. Underfloor duct has been provided in the printing workshop for convenience of relocating machines.

Provision has been made for staff and visitor car parking facilities. The remaining area is landscaped.

Except for permanent installations like mechanical and washroom, etc., all partitions in the office areas are of the demountable type to facilitate possible future alterations.



THE HONOURABLE A. W. LUDWIG, Q.C.
Minister of Public Works

The provision of suitable accommodation for other branches of the Alberta Government is the responsibility of the Department of Public Works. When it became apparent that the previous space occupied by the Queen's Printer in downtown Edmonton was inadequate for the proper function of the operation, it was decided to provide completely new facilities.

A site was acquired in 1969 on Kingsway Avenue adjacent to the Edmonton Industrial Airport and a building was designed by the Department's own Architectural and Engineering Design Group to meet the Queen's Printer's needs for the foreseeable future. A contract was awarded on June 15, 1970, to A. V. Carlson Construction Ltd. and the project was completed on March 25th, 1971. The total cost of the facilities including purchase of land, landscaping, furnishings and new equipment was \$892,000.00.

In formally handing over the new building to Honourable A. O. Aalborg, Provincial Treasurer and Minister responsible for the Queen's Printer, I have pleasure in extending to Mr. L. S. Wall and his staff every good wish for a long and successful occupancy of their new quarters.

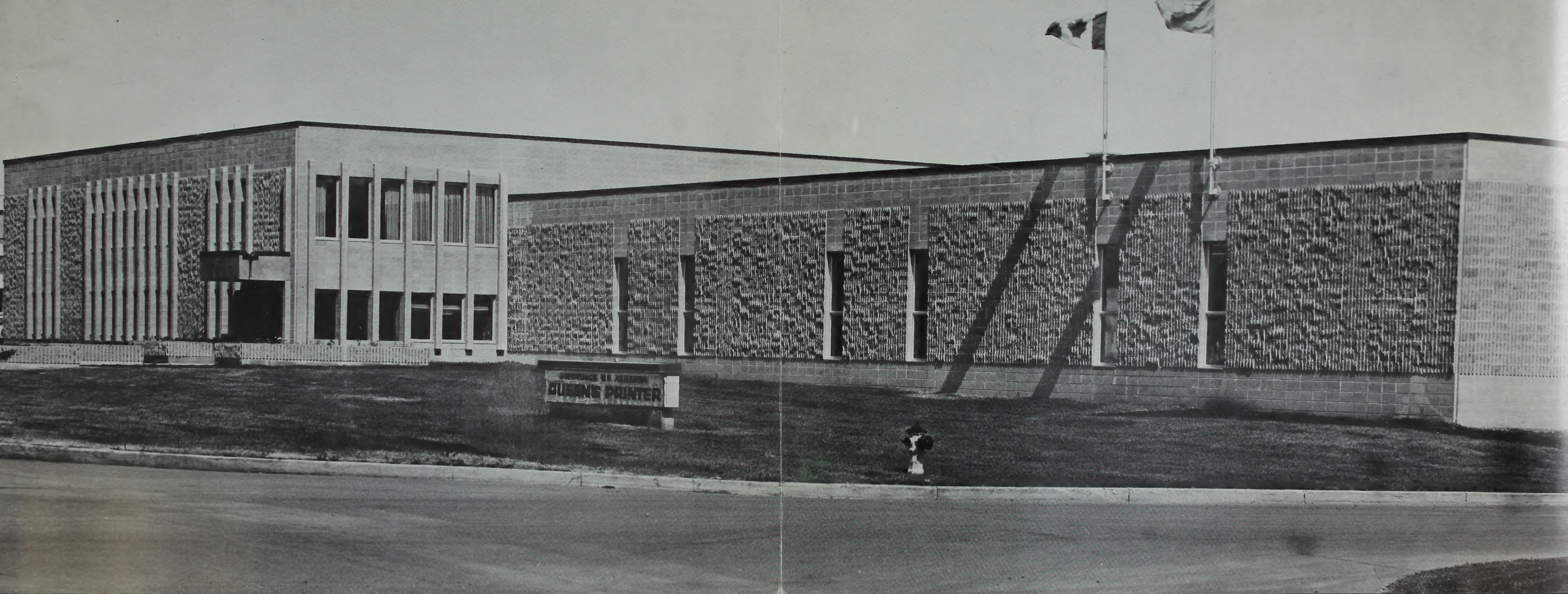
THE HONOURABLE ANDERS O. AALBORG
Provincial Treasurer

On behalf of the Treasury Department and the Queen's Printer, I am pleased to accept officially the new Queen's Printer Building from the Honourable A. W. Ludwig, Q.C., Minister of Public Works.

Over the years this Branch of the Treasury Department was housed in various buildings including the Legislative Building, Highways Building, Alberta Office Building and Public Works Warehouse No. 3.

This new structure is designed and constructed to meet the special requirements of a modern printing establishment and will permit the Queen's Printer to offer all Departments of the Provincial Government efficient printing service and a more adequate stock of office supplies.





THE QUEEN'S PRINTER BUILDING

HISTORY

In 1905 Alberta achieved provincial status and on October 9 of that year His Honour George Hedley Vicars Bulyea, Lieutenant Governor, appointed Mr. James Edward Richards, Acting Government Printer. The King's Printer's Branch of the government was thereby established and was so designated during the reign of three British Monarchs—George V, Edward VIII and George VI. With the accession to the throne of Queen Elizabeth II the branch was redesignated The Queen's Printer's as it is known today.

Following the practice in all provincial legislatures the Queen's Printer is appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council and is charged with the responsibility of printing and procuring all government printing and stationery supplies. These include official publications such as the Alberta Gazette, statutes, advertisements, notices, documents and all blank forms of receipts and licenses.

Owing to the increase in government operations over the years it has been necessary to expand the Queen's Printer's facilities from time to time. For example, in 1933 total revenue and sales amounted to \$186,279.00—in 1970-71 this total had reached the \$4,000,000.00 mark. In 1933 the branch operated with a staff of 14 and occupied 5,500 square feet of space in the legislative buildings—38 years and four moves later a staff of between 80 and 85 now occupy a new, modern plant offering 48,000 square feet of space designed to provide for anticipated future needs.

The new Queen's Printer's building provides facilities for a wide range of printing requirements. It is equipped with 15 presses of various sizes including a high-capacity envelope press. All printing is done in offset and a large camera and complete plate-making facility is provided. The plant also contains a bindery section which handles all requirements.

Even now it would be impractical for the branch to print all of the government's requirements, and though the Queen's Printer supervises all printing the plant produces approximately one-third of the total only. In keeping with government policy the balance of production is let to outside printing firms throughout the province and the Queen's Printer ensures a fair distribution to Alberta printing plants regardless of their location.



L. S. WALL, Queen's Printer

Leland Scott Wall, the present Queen's Printer, started in the printing industry in the town where he was born, Raymond, Alberta, working after school hours in the local newspaper office, The Raymond Recorder.

After completing school, he worked as a printer for several Alberta newspapers and commercial printing plants before establishing his own printing business in Lethbridge.

For ten years he carried on a highly successful operation; then, in 1957, sold his interest to his partner and joined the Alberta Government.

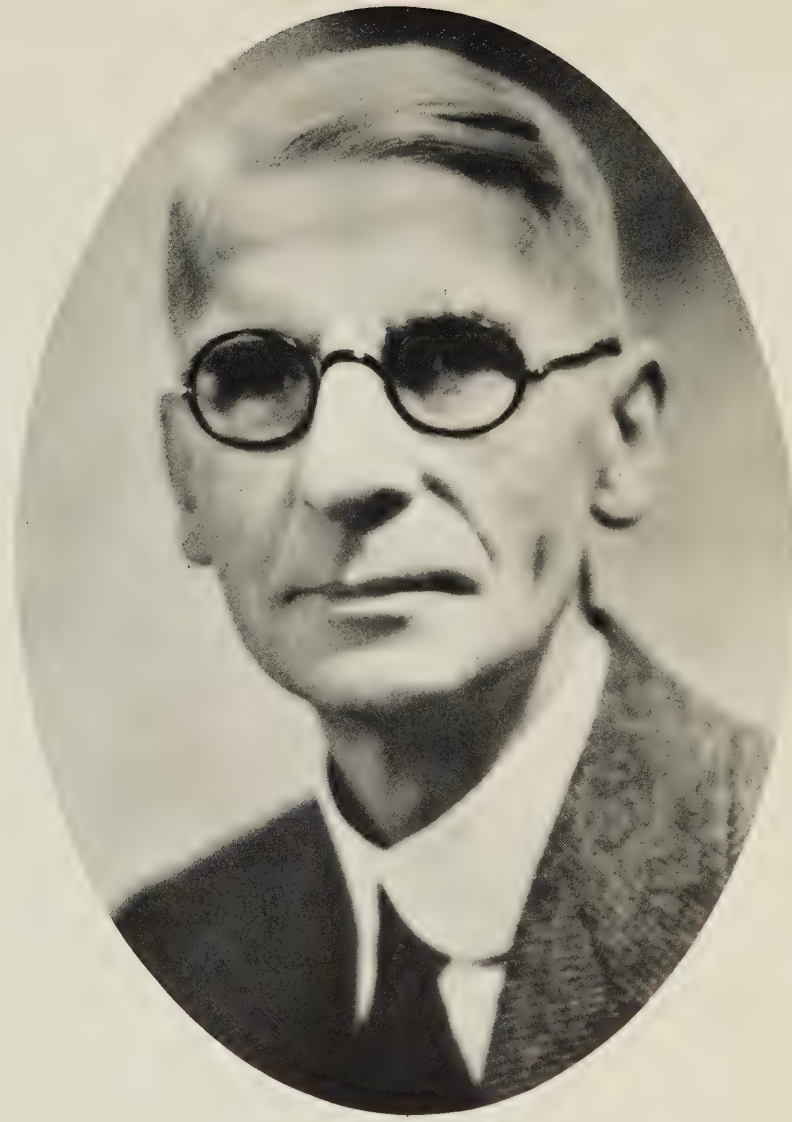
After serving as Acting Queen's Printer for one year he was appointed to his present position.





MR. A. SHNITKA

*King's Printer of Alberta, 1935 to 1952
Queen's Printer of Alberta, 1953 to 1957*



MR. W. D. McLEAN

King's Printer of Alberta, 1926 to 1935



MR. J. W. JEFFREY
King's Printer of Alberta, 1913 to 1925



MR. J. E. RICHARDS
King's Printer of Alberta, 1905 to 1912



*High speed presses
used in producing the form work
of the Queen's Printer*

SIGNATURES

